Pilot Hill Employee EcoPass Program

UNIVERSITY HILL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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In March 2016, the City of Boulder contracted with the RTD regional bus system to provide free EcoPass bus passes to all full-time, non-student employees in the University Hill General Improvement District (UHGID).

UHGID was established in 1970 at the request of property owners to fund off-street public parking for district patrons. Over time, the scope of UHGID was expanded to also pursue access-related amenities such as bicycle parking and incentive programs to promote alternative modes of transportation.

At present, the district generates insufficient funding to support the program, therefore the program is a pilot supported by the city's general fund in partnership with GoBoulder through the end of 2017.



RTD EcoPass

How Do I Get Free EcoPasses for My Employees?

UHGID Businesses may help their employees by completing the following steps:

- Fill out and submit an **Authorized Signer Form** on the city's website <u>HERE</u>. This means that you are the primary contact for the program and responsible for your employee's use of the pass. You may add a second Authorized Signer if needed.
- Within <u>5-7 business days</u>, the Authorized Signer may pick up the number of **RTD EcoPass Authorization Forms** needed for your full-time (25+ hours per week), non-student employees at an EcoPass Office Hour Location.
- Bring the forms to your employees to fill out and have you sign. For RTD to accept the form, the name must <u>match</u> exactly the name listed on the employee's photo ID.
- Either the individual employees (or the Authorized Signer with photocopies of their photo IDs) must bring the signed form(s) to an **EcoPass Office Hour Location** to be enrolled in the RTD system:
 - Downtown Information Center (Pearl Street Mall at 13th Street) on Mondays from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
 - The Fox Theatre (1135 13th Street on the Hill) on the fourth Monday of the month from 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- Within 30 days of enrollment in the RTD system, your employees should bring the white copy of the form and a photo ID that exactly matches their name on the form to an RTD office (in Boulder: 14th/Walnut Street and underground at Boulder Junction, 3175 Pearl Parkway) to get their photo taken and pick up their EcoPass. Ask your employee to give you the 8-digit serial # under their photo on the card. Write this on the pink copy of the form for your records.

What if I hire more employees or employees who have received EcoPasses no longer work here?

- An Authorized Signer may pick up more RTD EcoPass Authorization Forms at the EcoPass Office Hour locations.
- If/when your employee no longer works at your UHGID location, email his or her 8-digit serial # to Lane Landrith,
 TDM Coordinator at <u>LandrithL@bouldercolorado.gov</u> to have the card deactivated. Your business could be
 responsible for the full cash fare of any rides taken after termination if the card is still active.